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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
S.M. Cherrick and K.J. Gaughan)
For: REMOTELY SELECTABLE AUDIO/)
VIDEO/TEXT DISRUPTION)

May 9, 1994

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.56

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.97, the art listed and identified on the attached form, PTO-1449, is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. The possible relevance of the listed references is as follows. Nortrup et al., U.S. patent no. 4,626,892, relates generally to the remote control operation of television receivers. Motoyama, U.S. patent no. 4,837,623, relates to an interrupt circuit for blanking the audio and video outputs of a television automatically when the noise level of a television input signal becomes too great. A copy of each of the listed references is included herewith.

It is the applicant's opinion that the claims presently on file patentably distinguish the present invention from each of these references. The above references are being cited only in the interest of candor and without any admission that it constitutes statutory prior art or contains matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

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